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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: John TANG et al. Serial No.: 08/885,597 Group Art Unit: 27 Filed: June 30, 1997 Examiner: T. Joseph ·For: ANIMATED INDICATORS THAT REFLECT FUNCTION, ACTIVITY, OR STATE OF OBJECTS, DATA OR **PROCESSES**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

In reply to the Final Office Action dated June 16, 2000, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R.

§ 1.116, Applicants propose that this application be amended as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 31 and add claim 32, as follows:

A process for reflecting a state of a software container having objects, comprising: cyclically displaying a series of frames reflecting a state of the container as an animated sequence;

detecting an event reflecting a change in the state of the container, wherein the container

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